



State of Louisiana
Department of Health and Hospitals
Office of Public Health

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NOTICE OF DATA PUBLICATION

Dear EMS Education Program Director,

At the November 10th meeting of the EMS Taskforce, the Bureau of EMS proposed publishing the performance data for all state-approved EMS education programs. The Taskforce members agreed with this recommendation and believe that publishing this data not only allows EMS students to make informed decisions when determining where to make their personal educational investment, but it also encourages programs to consistently meet performance objectives.

Starting in January 2016, the Bureau of EMS will publish detailed quarterly performance reports for state approved EMS Education programs on the Bureau of EMS website. The performance matrix report will be presented in a similar format currently utilized by other license boards, regulatory agencies, and education institutions in Louisiana. The published data will include:

- Program Name, NREMT Program Code
 - 2016 data (Although historic data is available upon request, it will not be published by the Bureau of EMS on the website at this time.)
 - Number of students attempting the NREMT cognitive exam by level (EMR, EMT, AEMT, Paramedic)
 - Number and percent of students passing the NREMT cognitive exam on the first exam attempt
- The state pass rate by license level for the same time period
- The national pass rate by license level for the same time period
- A sample of the data is provided below.

<i>Program Name</i>	<i>Program Code</i>	<i>Attempted The Exam</i>	<i>First Attempt Pass</i>	<i>Statewide Rate</i>	<i>National Rate</i>
Program XX	LA-XXX	35	71% (25 / 35)	72%	68%

Thank you for your dedication to EMS Education and for your commitment to excellence. I am pleased to report that the statewide first attempt EMT exam pass rate in Louisiana is currently 5 percentile-points *above* the year-to-date national average. **This is a 12 percentile-point increase since 2013.**

Year	State Average	National Average	+/- National Average
2013	61%	68%	-7% points
2014	67%	68%	-1% points
2015*	73%	68%	+5% points

* denotes year to date data

If you have any questions about this, or other items related to EMS education, please do not hesitate to contact Amanda Broussard, the Program Director for EMS Education or me directly.

Respectfully,

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